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Educational Service Center
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I. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

President Alarcon-Flory called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory, Albert, Colling, Goodwin, Greenwell, Saint and Scarlett

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Scarlett moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

IV. Good News Report(s)

- A. Riverside Elementary School - Principal: Kathy Thode, Guidance Counselor: Marusia Melackrinos and Students: Suhayb Salad, Carson Fowler and Jace Frye shared information about their “Guys with Ties” third grade leadership group.

- B. East High School - Principal: Richard Todd, Administrators: Deb Padomek, Dave Dreessen, and BJ Koch, Science Teacher and Environmental Club Sponsor: Aubrey McCaslen-Hibbs, and Students: Dominic Eastman, Ruby Dominick and Josi Holgate shared some of the great things East High School’s Environmental Club has been doing at East High and in the community. They are also helping Spalding Park Environmental Sciences Elementary School with their Environmental Sciences Fall Festival.

V. Citizen Input

None.

VI. Consent Action Item(s)

Director Colling moved and Director Goodvin seconded the motion to approve the following consent action items. Motion carried 7-0.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from September 27, 2021 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Human Resources Report(s) – Dr. Jen Gomez
- C. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- D. Level I Investigators – Dr. Jen Gomez
- E. PowerSchools (eFinance Plus) Upgrade – John Pritchard
- F. Hunt Elementary School Custodial Equipment – Tim Paul
- G. District Diesel School Bus Purchase – Tim Paul

VII. Board Member Reports / Future Meetings

Director Scarlett:

- Happy Indigenous People's Day.
- She attended the Board Leadership meeting and the League of Women's Voters Candidate Forum.
- Two students from East High and Dr. Dora Jung will participate in an Educational Forum on October 19, from 6-8 p.m., at the Sioux City Museum. This event is sponsored by Unity in the Community.

Director Colling:

- He attended the Board Finance & Facilities Committee and the Conference Board Committee meetings.

Director Greenwell:

- He attended Board Finance & Facilities Committee meeting noting that one of the items of discussion was getting timely and accurate class size data for secondary schools. He asked Dr. Gausman and his administration to address this issue.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- She thanked:
 - The Siouxland Chamber of Commerce for their Annual Dinner event.
 - Morningside University for their celebration of *National Hispanic Heritage Month*.
 - Dr. Dora Jung for the work she is doing and for taking time to meet with her.
 - Those who made Dr. Ann Lebo's tour of our Career Academy and VIBE Academy successful.
 - The League of Women's Voters and Mayor's Youth Commission for hosting a School Board Candidates Forum, and the Sioux City Education Association who will host a Candidates Forum tomorrow.
 - The Siouxland Chamber of Commerce and the Sioux City Journal for their work with interviews and publications about the School Board candidates.
 - The District's Communications Department for the "success" stories they are sharing.
 - Our Principals for all their hard work in recognition of *National Principals Month*.
- Congrats to our high school marching bands, their directors and parents for their work at the *Dutchman Field Championship* in Orange City.
- Congrats to the middle school students selected for Iowa Opus Honors Choir.
- Today is *Columbus Day*, but for Latin Americans, it is *Dia de la Raza*.
- She acknowledged *National Indigenous People's Day*.

Future Meetings are as follows:

- Board Student Achievement Committee – Noon, October 13, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- School Improvement Advisory Committee – 5:15 p.m., October 14, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., October 18, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Special School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., October 18, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Board Policy Committee – 3:30 p.m., October 19, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Regular School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., October 25, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Regular School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., November 8, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- The Link to SCCSD COVID Results - <https://www.siouxcityschools.org/parents/covid-19-return-to-learn/covid-19-reporting/>

VIII. Superintendent's Report

- As follow up to the Board Finance & Facilities Committee meeting, he informed the Board that the weekly *Class Size Report* takes 10 minutes to put together, and that the District will continue to make improvements to those reports.
- In recognition of *National Principals Month*, he acknowledged our Principals for all they do to help move this District forward
- He thanked everyone who made Dr. Ann Lebo, Director of the Iowa Department of Education, tour of our Career Academy and VIBE Academy so successful.
- He is proud of our Misty Cadets who presented the colors at the 35th Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner.
- He acknowledged *Iowa's Indigenous People's Day*.

IX. Items of Presentation, Discussion, and/or Action

A. Request for Allowable Growth and Supplemental Aid for the Negative Special Education Balance - Patty Blankenship and Kim Neal

Director Greenwell moved and Director Saint seconded the motion to authorize the request for allowable growth and supplemental aid for the negative special education balance in the amount of \$1,187,494.51. Motion carried 7-0.

B. IASB Delegate Assembly – President Alarcon-Flory

Director Goodvin volunteered to serve as the District's Delegate this school year.

C. RESOLUTION Honoring National Hispanic Heritage Month – President Alarcon-Flory

President Alarcon-Flory read *RESOLUTION Honoring National Hispanic Heritage Month* aloud. Director Greenwell moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to approve RESOLUTION Honoring National Hispanic Heritage Month. Motion carried 7-0.

D. Second and Final Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman

- 204.14 School Board Minutes
- 301 Superintendent of Schools
- 402.13 Administrator Evaluation
- 501.6 District-to-District Open Enrollment
- 501.6-A District-to-District Open Enrollment – Insufficient Classroom Space
- 503.13 Freedom of Expression
- 602.11 Physical Education
- 604.2 Private Instruction
- 605.4 Graduation Requirements

Director Goodvin moved and Director Saint seconded the motion to approve the above Board policies for second and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

E. Return-to-Learn – President Alarcon-Flory

Director Scarlett explained why *Mask Mandate* should be added to an upcoming Board meeting agenda.

Cassie Thompson, 2312 Douglas, shared statistics and medical advice from a number of experts related to COVID-19.

Jeremy Pigg, 1414 W. 31st St., was unavailable for comment. President Alarcon-Flory attempted twice to contact Mr. Pigg.

Director Scarlett moved and Director Saint seconded the motion to post a report showing student and staff COVID vs Non-COVID absences on a weekly basis on the District's website. Motion carried 7-0.

Director Greenwell explained his submitted data regarding FY16-FY22 Average Cash Balances charts.

X. Adjourn

Director Albert moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion carried 7-0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Perla Alarcon-Flory, President
SCCSD Board of Directors

Cynthia A. Lloyd, Secretary
SCCSD Board of Directors